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GOALS AND TASKS FOR THE AMBASSADOR: MOZAMBIQUE

I. SUPPORT FOR OUR PEACE EFFORTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

--TRY TO BUILD UP GPRM CONFIDENCE IN THE SINCERITY OF
OUR EFFORTS TO BRING ABOUT MAJORITY RULE IN RHODESIA AND
NAMIBIA AND IN OUR DISTASTE FOR SOUTH AFRICA'S APARTHEID
POLICIES.

--ENCOURAGE MACHEL TO WORK WITH OTHER FRONT LINE LEADERS
TO HELP BRING ABOUT SATISFACTORY, PEACEFUL SETTLEMENTS IN
RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA.

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--CONTINUE TO DEMONSTRATE OUR INTEREST IN THE PLIGHT OF
ZIMBABWEAN REFUGEES IN MOZAMBIQUE AND, WITH AVAILABLE
PL 480 TITLE II RESOURCES, IN HELPING THE GPRM DEAL WITH
THIS PROBLEM.

II. IMPROVING BILATERAL RELATIONS

--SEEK TO MAKE CLEAR TO GPRM THAT FRIENDLY AND PRODUCTIVE RELATIONS ARE POSSIBLE DESPITE BASIC DIFFERENCES IN OUR POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SYSTEMS.

--TRY TO REDUCE MILITANCY OF MOZAMBIQUE'S OPPOSITION TO OUR NAVAL PRESENCE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN AND ENCOURAGE AN EVENHANDED APPROACH TO GREAT POWER PRESENCE THERE.

--EXPLORE WAYS TO INCREASE, WHERE FEASIBLE, CONTACTS WITH THE GPRM AND THE GENERAL POPULATION, SUCH AS THROUGH THE OPENING OF A USIS POST.

--FACILITATE CONTACT BETWEEN THE GPRM AND AMERICAN PRIVATE FIRMS AND ORGANIZATIONS; ENCOURAGE MOZAMBIQUE TO PROVIDE PROMPT, ADEQUATE, AND EFFECTIVE COMPENSATION FOR ANY US-OWNED ASSETS NATIONALIZED.

III. REDUCING SOVIET AND OTHER COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN THE AREA

--ENCOURAGE APPARENT GPRM TENDENCY NOT TO GRANT NAVAL OR MILITARY FACILITY RIGHTS TO THE SOVIETS OR OTHER COMMUNIST NATIONS.

--SEEK TO DISCOURAGE MOZAMBIQUE FROM STRENGTHENING ITS CONFIDENTIAL

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MILITARY LINKS WITH THE SOVIETS AND CUBANS--INCLUDING THE POSSIBLE INTRODUCTION OF CUBAN TROOPS.

--ATTEMPT TO DEFLECT GPRM FROM ANY EFFORTS TO EXPORT ITS RADICAL POLITICS TO MODERATE BLACK AFRICAN GOVERNMENTS IN MALAWI, SWAZILAND, AND ELSEWHERE. CHRISTOPHER

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